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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING GRANULATED BODY FOR ABSORBING EXCREMENT OF ANIMALS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of March 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.